

THE ARAGO OFF CAPE RACE. FOUR DAYS LATER NEWS FROM EUROPE.

STATE OF THE MARKETS,

The United States mail steamship Arago, Capt. Lines from Havre and Southampton 24th August, passed Caps Pace at one o'clock this afternoon. [We are inclined to think that the descatch has been unintentionally misdated, and that the Arago passed Cape Race on

We have received no political news by this arrival. The screw steamship Auglo Saxon, from Quebec, arrived at Liverpool on the 23d of August.

The Liverpool cotton market was withe change since the sailing of the Africa.

Breadstuffs had a declining tendency, as also had pro

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LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. The sales of cotton for the three days were 17,000 bales

of which speculators took 1,000 and exporters 1,400 bales The market closed dull and nominally unchanged. Some authorities quoted prices of the inferior qualities easier. though not lower. Middling Orleans 7d., middling up STATE OF TRADE.

The advices from Manchester are unfavorable. The market was quiet and steady, though prices were slightly

LIVERPOOL BREADSTUFFS MARKET. Richardson, Spence & Co. report flour tending downward and prices nominal. American, 10s. 8d. a 12s. Wheat declined 2d.; Western red, 7s. 6d. a 9s.; do. white. Se. a Se. 4d. Corn firm, and holders asking an advance of &d. per quarter; mixed and yellow, 5s. &d. a 5s. 9d. white, 7s. a 7s. &d.

LIVERPOOL PROVISION MARKET. In the Liverpool market beef was heavy, and previous quotations were barely maintained. Pork heavy; bacon dull and quiet, but steady. Tallow steady at 55s.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET.

Rosin was steady at 3s. 8d. for common. Rice steady Spirits turpentine steady at 34s. Sugar dull. Other articles unchanged.

Dorgias in Virginia.—At a recent discussion at Cumber-land Court House between the candidates for Congress in the Fourth district of Virginia, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William O. Goode, Roger A. Pryor, who has heretofore been looked upon as a Southern fire-eater, is reported as having said that he had his "first choice" for President, but that he would support the nominee of the Charleston Convention; he other good Southern democrat, and should Judge Doug-les get the nomination, to beat the black republicans he would give him his support. He was sure the country would be safe in the hands of any of the three gentlemen named.

is Away.—Thurlow Word has taken refuge among the sand porgies down in Greenport, Long Island, where he will remain until the meeting of the Republican State TREAS LEGISLATURE.—As far as heard from the Legisla-ture of Texas stands as follows:—

Majority for Houston on Joint ballot.....

H.) Stundard mays the Concord "clique" are bold in their nesertion that they will oppose any candidate nominated at Charleston for the Presidency, unless it be Douglas or Franklin Pierce. It is said that Mr. Pierce is quite confl. dent that be or Pouglas will get the nomination if things

democratic journal published at Sherman, Texas, an nounced the election of Gen. Houston thus—it certainly does not look like "a defeat of the Administration" and "a rebake to Mr. Buchanan," as some opposition journals pretend to make out:—"Glorious victory! National admi-

REPUBLICAN DELEGATES .- Hon. J. G. Floyd, of Moriches, and James B. Cooper, of Babylon, are the delegates from the Second district of Suffolk county to the Republican State Convention at Syracuse.

DITEAT OF A FIRE EATER. -Wm. L. Yancey, the leading sional intervention for slavery in the Territories, has been badly beaten in his contest for the United States Senate in Alabama. A large majority of the Legislature are for Go vernor Fitzpatrick, the present Senator.

becue in Paris, Kentucky, on the 1st inst., Vice President Breckenridge being present was called to the stand, but he only occupied it about five minutes. During that time he said :-

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The Democratic party was, in his judgment, the only political party new in existence which is capable of taking care of this glorious country. Organization after organization rose and fell; some lived a long period, others shorter. Some had good lungs and good brains, though the latter were often not very sound. The last party which passed away (the American) looked out upon the earth and then expired. The death of the democratic party, he said, was predicted at every election, but it is to-day more healthy than ever. It is no flickering light; it rosts upon principles which its opponents cannot withstand—it can't die—it is the only national party left in the United States—a light house set upon the headland of the sea as a beacon light to guide the weary traveller home. He said that strifes and differences do arise in their ranks, but for all practical purposes the entire party was a unit.

The Maine Election.—The election in Maine for Gover-

THE MAINE ELECTION .- The election in Maine for Gover nor and Legislature takes place on Monday, the 12th inst. The candidate for Governor on the republicar ticket is the Hon. Lot M. Morrill, the present Executive The candidate of the democracy is Manasseh H. Smith the same gentleman who has run for Governor the las

HOUSTON FOR PRESENT.-The Galveston (Texas) New which opposed the election of old San Jacinto for Gover-

which opposed the election of the last acceptable Southern man to all parties at the North cannot be doubted; and if availability is the paramount question with the Charlesion Convention, the New York Herald may be right in its conjecture that Houston may supersed all other aspirants for the nomination, especially if a portion of the Southern delegates (as it is said will be the case) should unite with the Northern in his support.

And the Austin Intelligencer says :-We should like to see Houseer run as the national democratic Union candidate; and let Seward, or Banks, or some other "let-the-Union-side-traitor," or the North because of the nigger, and Yancy or some other such "come-outer," Southern confederacy, because he cannot get more wild niggers-fanatic, take a tilt at the South OFFOSED TO DOUGLAS .- The Charleston Mercury, Charles man, Camden Journal, Pec Dec Times, Cheraw Gazette

Unionville Times, Newberry Conservatist, and Waihalla Banner, all South Carolina democratic journals, have spoken out in opposition to Senator Douglas as a candidate for the Presidency. Williamsburg City News.

Fire at Greenform.—About tweive o'clock on Friday night a frame building attached to the works of the American Percelain Company at Greenpoint was destroyed by fire. The building was used as a drying room for the un baked ware, and at the time of the fire there was between six and seven thousand dellars worth of ware in it wait ing for the kim. The building was destroyed and ine whole contents ruined. The building was valued at about \$500, on which there is a partial insurance. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

Defectives to have been the way to an accountry.

Defective to have elected on Seturday night dolegates to the Requisitional Convention to nominate State officers—sixth Assembly district—George C. Bennett and Joshua A. M. Seyenth Assembly district—H. M. Warren and Sam. A Paylor.

The sloop of the falle, which recently arrived at Portamenth from the control of Africa, has been subjected to a survey and condemned.

The United States steamed Mystic and United States storethip Supply, for the West control of Africa, are anchored at Quarabline.

THE METROPOLITAN CHURCHES.

Reopening of the City Churches after the Summer Vacation—Discourses of the Popular Preachers of all Persussions, &c., &c.

DR. ADAMS' CHURCH, MADISON SQUARE. This church was opened for Divine service yesterday

blage of the faithful found room within its walls. The breathing time allowed the able and distinguished pastor to rest for a while from his labor of love, and to gather fresh strength and energy among the hills and values of the mountains, seems to have resulted very much to his physical benefit. At all events, the Rev. Dr Adams never looked more halo and hearty, and the simple and carnest services of the day were performed by him, without assistance of any kind, in his usual edifying and

earnest services of the day were performed by him, without assistance of any kind, in his usual edifying and instructive manner.

It would be needless to say that the immense congregation was a fashionable one, for the attendants of this church have long been known to be among the most fashionable of the city. But on this occasion the children of wealth and fashion were, for the most part, clothed in the sable garb of mourning. Many were there to express by the contward and visible agul of mourning the angulash which the inward and mysterious heart was feeling for the loss of one of the ambassadors of Christ, now gathered to his fathers, who was "inthirtu in season and out of eeason." The merring service began shortly after ten o'clock. A seatable by an was sung, in the usual beautiful style of the Madison square church choir, and after the reading of the Seriptoral selections for the Cay.

The few. Pr. Anams delivered a fervid and impressive sermen. His text was taken from the Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to Timethy, in which the great apostle charged the young mensior of Christ "to preach the Word; to be constant in season and out of season; to reprove, rebeke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine." The reverend pentleman very ably defined the duty of the Christian manuster in his important and responsible mission of preaching and publishing the undying Word of Ged, and pointed to the caracstness with which the aposite Paul had been a fasinfia servant, he had fuffled his mission, and his anxiety was that the young Timethy should grow up strong in the faith and in that wisdom whoch ripeneth unto eternal life. Upon the faithett- services of the ministers of the Gespel depended the success of their labors for the extension of the Redeemar's kingdom, under the blessing of God. The ministerial acreer of the late Pev. Ir. Alexander was the referred to by Dr. Adams, and a glowing pricure painted of that good soldier of the cross, whe had fought the good fight and finished his course, and for when, like

REV. DR. CHAPIN'S CHURCH.

The Universalist church in Broadway, near Spring street, at which Rev. Elwin H. Chapin, the popula preacher of that liberal creed officiates, is usually crowd ed by an intelligent and fashionably dressed audience and sometimes it is even impossible to find standing room the aistes. On the occasion of the reopening of the church yesterday morning, after the summer vacation, there was a very large gathering of worshippers; but there were scata for all comers, and even a few vacant places in the galieries. Whether this comparative pancity of attendance was attributable to the attractions of other churches, to any wanting of the great popularity of the preacher, or to the fact that not all the worshippers have yet returned from the summer resorts, we shall not undertake to decide. The church itself has decided to the decide, the place ple generally looked fresh and vigorana, the shought school children, who perform the duties of the choir, sang with spirit and vigor, and the organist played his magnificent instrument with his usual skill and taste. The paster himself has lest none of his wouted plannpasses, and the August sun has tinged his checks with a roddier he, adding to the usual robust heartimess of his personal appearance. His text was this—

One God and Father of all, who is above all and through all, and in you all—Ephesians 4: 6.

The aim of the discourse seemed to be to show that the fatherbood of God is the great central troth of the Gaspel. There were grand and glittering flights of cloquence, in which the preacher carried his audience up among the clouds and the stars, and the aurora boreals, and sorely tasked the skill of the phonographers, five or six of whom were struggling desperately with their pencits just before the pulpit, there were pathetic appeals and gleaming all usines and illustrations; but only a single reference to the vacation just closed and the reopening of the church. church yesterday morning, after the summer vacation,

At the Saint Paul's Methodist Ep scopal church, corner

of Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street, of which the Clintock, President of Troy University, preached yester-McClintock took a very active part in the erection of this to the Presidency of the Troy University, for which post he is emmently qualified by his distinguished talents and great erudition. The Fourth Avenue Methodist church is considered the most aristocratic, as it is the most spacious and elegant, of any belonging to this denomination in the city. The congregation yesterday was very large and fashionable, the majority of the families of the members having returned to town.

eading selectious from the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the pastor, Dr. McClinteck proceeded to deliver his sermon, based upon the interview with the angel and Jacob recorded in the second chapter of Genesis and from the 22d to the 30th verse. This, he said, was a simple Jewish history, and he regretted to observe in a recent work of some note that they were styled marrow and local, and were only interesting in a historical point of view, as showing the degree of culture to which the poople had come. While he believed that his hearers did not sebscribe to that view, still he thought they might be in danger of regarding the 0id Testament historics as it is interesting of the providences of God in his dealings with the race of men. For his own own part he was accust them in personal and individual experience. He asked them to lock in the history of Jacob for its lessons of practical wisdom for themselves—lessons for their own experience and for their guidance in a religious life. The speaker then mentioned the acts of service which Jacob performed, the savere discipline which he underwent before obtaining his wealth, observing, in passing, that every young man ought to go through the same discipline. Jacob was returning rich, with a princely retinue, and while he was alone in the stillness of the evening by the brook side, he had a struggle with God to flad cut his destiny. The history recorded in the text was a type of the crisis which comes to every man and woman that wanders from God after having been taught by God in the days of their youth, and after having acquired strength, wealth, power and influence, send it over the brock and sit alone with God, asking him to reveal his mighty name—that was the lesson of the text. The reverned gentleman proceeded to speak of Jacob's struggle, his victory, and its result. Jacob was physically strong, but his victory was the result of his importunate faith. He became a new man, and when the soul prevailed it rose from its new birth bathed in the love of Christ. The ceading selections from the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the pastor, Dr. McClintock proceeded to deliver his

CHURCH OF THE PURITANS OR CHEEVER The reopening of this church after the summer vacation was yesterday morning attended by an audience filling little more than one-third of the spacious edifice. Dr. Cheever took his text from Acts 1, 8:- "But ye

shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is com-Jerusalem and Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the utter most parts of the earth."

The full meening of this text, the reverend gentleman

said, was difficult to clucidate, so great was its compro-lensiveness. No man was converted by a miracle, but by the Holy Chest. He would consider some of the reaory the Holy Cheet. He would consider some of the reacens why this power was given, and some of its blessed
effects. They must know the things which were freely
given of God. Ministers of the Gospel were merely the
instruments of God in the expounding or the law, that it
ment to the control of the heart and understand
ings. I the people. When this living power exists in
Christains 't is a creative power. God says, "Ye are the
sait of the ear." and again, "Have salt in yournely.","
and not merely in the mine. You might own sait mine,
and salt springs and yet be a fresh water herring. All

both is external to you that does not live in you, especially spiritual truth. No church had yet lived worthy to accept the benefits of God's promise, "If yo shide in me, and my words in you, ye shall ask what yo will and it shall be done unto you." This promise was intended to be universat. Faril ascribes his power to this principle of the Holy Ghost, and not to miracles. Many a portion of the church of God, having the form without this power, has gone down like a steamship on whose bother fires the water has been pourling, extinguishing the very power which kept her to motion to breast the storn. There was nothing like personal descriptions of foreign countries to enlist our interest in them, and jost so there was nothing like personal descriptions of personal experience in religious matters to conviace the people. It commanded an attention that books along could never secure. Bonyan, working at his trade as an innerant tinker, heard two old women on the other side of the heige talking of the things which are Christis. It gave him a new idea, and was one of the means of his alvalein. Any man who speaks from living experience every thing of roal truth directly from the Savieur. The present age depends to much upon man, and too little upon God. The source being, then, from man, the fountain rises no higher than its source. As the heart or the intellect is the source, so the heart or the intellect is the source as the heart or the intellect of the source head, then the abordery and obtained a congregation of iff all the pews and pay all the expenses. On no, it is "after the hely Ghost is o'm upon you." Power follows the floy Ghost, but cannot procede it. Let us therefore seek God a spirit, and seek it extrestly. With continued prayer and importunity let us endeavor to obtain the incellorers.

Die Cheever closed with an impressive prayer, invoking with terseness and yieor the fliving blessing on the attempts of God's people to obtain this indispensable spirit of the Holy Ghost.

Doctor Spring's church, at the corner of Fifth avenu and Thirty seventh street, was also opened yesterday morning for the first time in the season. The pastor looked hale and hearty, and has evidently stamina enough for many years of ministration. The vacation has done him good, at least so far as the physical man is concerned. The audience too were all the better for the rest which they good, at least so far as the physical man is concerned. The audience too were all the better for the rest which they had enjoyed. The seats were all filled; a fashionable congregation was present to attend on the services of the day. The chorch estitic, which was created last year, looked as though it had been freshly cleansed and puinted during the recess. A pure breeze entered every window, diestipating the modely expors which are so apt to pervale the atmosphere of all places of worship. Sitting on a textreos sofa, behind the desk, a few inches higher than his congregation, was the reverend Dector, a youngar gentleman reclining indolently in a cashioned chair by his side. Above him, hidden by a portion of the woodwork of the house, was the organ, which was played by hands intvisible to the audience. Three embasioned crosses shone conspicuously above the pastor's head. A little box or perch at his right, and next the organ, was occupied by the chief singer of the congregation, whose performance of the psaims and hymns was admirably calculated to produce a striking operatic effect. The artist would do well in a part in "Robert le Diable" at the Academy of Missic, and his part would be equally in keeping. That barbarous old iconociast, John Knox, if he could have been present, would almost have lost temper in this edifice of the Old Brick Chorch congregation, and very likely would have undulged in some of his characteristic talk meant the painted lady and a certain naughty woman of Babylon. But then he was not there, and so the poelle were suffered to worship in peace.

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After commencing the services, the hymn was read:

"The Lord, descending from above,
Invites his children near," &c.,
and the man on the perch above the minister sang it, accompanied by the "deep tened organ." If Mr. Howeli
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Prayer was next offered by the pastor—a general confession of wickedness, hell deserving, and an acknowledgment of Irvine mercy, followed by supplication for all the leather and a beneficial influence from the prayers offered all over the Christian world. Having concluded the orison, the reverend gentiuman proceeded to read the 26th Psalm, in long metre, which was duly exceuted. The text was then taken from 2 Timothy, 1:12.—"For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against the last day." The Doctor proceeded to remark that St. Paul had him five years in prison, because of a persecution instituted against the Christians, on a charge of having set the city of Rome on fire. He was daily expecting to be brought before the bioody tyrant and batcher emperor Noro, when he knew his fate would be to pass through a fearful bloody scene to glory on high. The preacher then described the charge which Paul had committed to the Lord, and the nature and ground of his confinence. He definested also the wonderful change which the believer underwent in his transit from the darkness of nature to the light of the Gospel. The last day he said, for "types" or "cirching," "without mid-allertoning, affects the worldings upon the subject, and reviewed the ground of the Christian's assurance, he went on to all discret the house as burned up. Having in his characteristic manner detailed this portion of the subject, and reviewed the ground of the Christian's assurance, he went on to all circs the worldings upon the subject, and reviewed the ground of the Christian's assurance, he went on to all circs the worldings upon the subject, and reviewed the confidence of the Christian's assurance, he went on to all circs the worldings upon the

WEST TWENTY-FIFTH STREET BAPTIST

CHURCH.
The paster of this church, A. H. Burlingham, who has cen absent during the latter part of the summer from the city, resumed his pulpit yesterday forenoon. The congregation was larger than usual, numbering about 500, and filling the church well. The service commenced in the usual way, by the singing of a hymn, and was concoucluded by a sermon preached from First Corinthians Sectioned by a sermon presented from First Corinthians, it 2:— For I have determined not to know anything save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." After viewing the scope of the text briefly, the preacher showed that when a man of St. Faul's eloquence, powers and culture determined to know nothing save Christ, how much more should ordinary Christians of the present day desire to know their Saviour. He also gave many of Paul's reasons for desiring to know his Master.

CALVARY CHURCH.

Squated at the corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty first street, was tolerably filled with a fashionable blage. A great number of the regular attendants were about in the country, but the large number of strangers prejent served to fill the vacant pews and render the scere cheering to the eyes of the officiating clergyman. Theservice was read by Dr. Hawks' assistant in a clear Theservice was read by Dr. Hawks assistant in a clear and impressive manner, while the choir acquitted itselwill more than ordinary success. The eighty-sixth selection of Psa ms, commencing with the lines:—

O ender thanks, and bess the Lord,
Invoke his sacred name,
Acquint the nations with his deeds,
His matchiess deeds proclaim:
Was rough a simprofile style, as was also the thirty-sixth

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"Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

In hommancing his discourses the clergyman drew a comparison between the criminal at the bar of justice here below and the feelings which would actuate him when arraigned before the bar of God. If the condition of the criminal on earth was humiliating and pitable, how mich more so would he feel abashed whon he appeared in judgment before his Maker. How necessary was it, herefore, for us to be justified by faith, that we might make peace with God before we were brought to judgment. Implicit obedience to God's commands was expected of us all. Who could say that he had compiled with the Lord's commands who was not certain of being arrighted for his transgressions? No one. The justice of God was pledged to adjudge us guilty; but "being justified by faith," we all had an opportunity of making peace with God through Jesus Christ. The justification was the plan ordained by God for our deliverance from sin. But justification through faith alone would not work out or salvation, except it was followed by sanctification through the Holy Ghost. The faith should be a hvely one, and we should not deceive ourselves as to its acceptance, for no matter how strong God's love may be for us, his love of justice would require at our hands a complete justification in order that we might be saved.

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The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, the Rector of St. George's Church, Rutherford place, corner of Sust Sixteenth street, presided in his church yesterday in the morning, read the service, and preached a sermon to a large congregaion, albeit not as large as the handsome St. George is usually seen to centain, but sufficient to fill the body of the church and nearly the galleries. Many of the members of the church have not yet returned from the watering

stranger they could hardly be missed.

The Rev. Dr. Tyng's text was taken from Psalm 112th The Rev. Dr. Tyng's text was taken from Psalm 112th, 4th and 7th verses—" Unto the right there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteens: "—" He shall not be alraid of evil tidings; his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord."

This was the text, and it was treated, as is the able divine's wont, forcibly and ably, with much originality of argument and illustration. The sermon was lengthy, and the services of the morning were succeeded by those of the holy sacrament.

In the evening the Rev. Dr. Tyng read the service, and a minister, a stranger to the congregation, delivered the sermon.

With regard to the edifice of St. George's church itself, when case and the straight of the stainer class of its large windows, the massive cak

galleries, the singular and mossive oak coiling, with the arched ceiling of the chancel, &c., one cannot help regretting that there is no inlet for light other than the stained glass of the large windows. No stranger can deny that the light in this chorch is gloomy, duli—a combination of the different dark shades of the stained glass; and surely every near-sighted person cannot but flad the interior of this church, however mild, chosts, &c., in architectural appearance, rather too mild in point of light, when the cychalis are dim, and the words of trath and light must come through orbs long since unused to the sporking fire of youth. Such a bandsome church, both internally and externally, surely can easily have this one detect remedied, if thought necessary, at once.

TABEBNACLE, CORNER OF THIRTY-FOURTH

STREET AND SIXTH AVENUE.

The Rev. J. D. Thompson, D.D., paster of the large congregation worshipping in this new edifice, having re-Previous to the commencement of the exercises an ex-cellent salutatory was played upon the organ by a young bereafter improve an occasion to give both the church and organ a full description. After the salutatory the reverend dector read a lesson from 4 Matthew, 21st verse

was beautifoly sang by the choir and congregation.

Toking has text from a Mark, verse 28, "For the earth bringeth forth frost of herseit; lists the basic, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear," the reversed loctor chereed upon an interesting and able explanation of "growth," as inustrated in the parable of the Sewer, and the increase yielded theseund by the carth; that this entire process, from the sowing to the full ear, was growth, founded upon and governed by the principles of nature. The earth yields fruit and increase, not fire int sown power and strength, but to obelience to the declared will and command of God, when He said, "Lat the earth bring forth fruit." The immutable law fixed by the Infinite mind gave form to chaos, life and in the said of the strength of the said of the strength of the said of the strength of the said to the title art. I standing and he mind the said in the said of the strength process by Infinite will, fixed laws, and at list arrive at that state of perfection essential to its inguitiering. There is nothing of the miracie in all this, for that would imply a special act of God in each and every stage of progress. God said, "Let there be light," and light was, and has continued. Days and nights have come and gone, seasens have passed regularly onward till the year has traced its fixed line, and then leaving; the ttern, lewering, dreary, fruitiess winter (the shroud that hid the earth) has vanished, and the sun, rising again in all his giory, the long sumbering germ (a beautiful type of the resurrection that awaits man in the last) comes forth in all its strength and giory.

The second position of the argument was: their growth is not independent of God, but it is of man. He may import the said the said

THE LATE DR. ALEXANDER'S CHURCH (PRESBYTERIAN) FIFTH AVENUE.

This church edifice, which is one of those grand brown stone piles of Gothic architecture, with a spiral steeple, is situated at the corner of Fifth avenue and Sixteeuth street. It is but a short time since we announced the death of the venerable Dr. Alexander, the pastor, who for a long time occupied the pulpit with distinguished success. The reporter who was despatched to record the proceedings yesterday was informed that the church was temporarily closed, and would re-open the second Sabbath in October; in the meantime it would undergo a thorough rejuvenating. During the summer months it has been kept open on the Sabbath, in order to gather in and afford the means of grace to peeple of other flocks who were rendered shepherdless by the descrition of their pastors who were carried honor by the watering place mania. The says of the interior of this edifice is of the most superb and costilest character. The church has been rendered somewhat celebrated for its superb congregational singing of the old Scotch Presuperina school, in contradistinction to operatic style, appreent adopted by the modern school religionists. The church is often visited by the latter class, attracted thither by the novelty, and perhaps some of them to learn iessons of plainness and unostentiation in the celebration of religions services. The church, as we noted before, will re-open next month, when a funeral service will be said to the memory of their late pastor.

The inquest in the case of Martin Ryan, who died at Believee Hospital on Saturday from the effects of injuries second street, on the 27th uk., was held by Coroner Jaci

deceased, who testified as follows:-On Saturday evening, the 27th ult., my mother told me that Allison had cut th the 27th ult., my mother told me that Allison had cut the ciothes line; I went to his door and asked him the reason why he did so; he made no answer, but jumped right upon me and struck me with an axe several times; my father then came up to my assistance, when Allison struck him with the axe on the head; deceased fell to the floor; an officer then came in and arrested the prisoner.

Anne Ryan, wife of deceased, corroborated the testimoty of the previous witness.

Mary Almson, wife of the prisoner, stated that deceased and his son first commenced the difficulty by assaulting Allison with clubs.

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Ir. Phelps, house surgeon at Bellevue Hospital, testified to the cause of death, and described the wound as being one inch in diameter, just above the left temple; the skull was fractured and the broken pieces of the bone were driven into the brain.

The case was then submitted to the jury, who, after due deliberation, rendered a verdict of "death by a blow from an axe, at the hands of John Allison." On being examined by Coroner Jackman, Allison stated that he did not use an axe, but must have snatched a club from one of the Ryans, and thus inflicted the injury. Then at the close he said:—"I do not know whether I struck him with a club or my list." The prisoner was committed to the Tembs to await the action of the Grand Jury. Ryan, the deceased, was a native of Ireland, and was over 79 years of age.

Drawsine Cascalving.—William Vedder, while bathing

DROWNING CASCALTIES .- William Vedder, while bathing PROWNING CASCALTIES.—William Vedder, while bathing at the foot of West Thirty-third street, on Saturday evening, was seized with a cramp and drowned before any assistance could be rendered him. The body was recovered some hours afterwards and taken to the Twentieth precinct station house, where the Coroner held an inquest.

The Harbor police received information yesterday that a man named Humphreys, make of a vessel lying at anchor off Bedloe's Island, had accidentally failen overboard from a small boat while coming ashore, and was drowned before any assistance could be rendered him. The boatman who was rowing decoased ashore at the time of they accident was detained to await the sciion of the Coroner-Access of Parkers of Parkers.

A CMLD BURNED TO DEATH.—Isabella Valling, a chillabout five years old, was burned to death at No. 185 East Thirty-fifth street, on Friday night, by her clothes catching fire while she was playing with some lighted matches. Coroner Jackman held an inquest upon the body yesterday. Verdict, "Accidental death."

MAIL ROUTES TO CALIFORNIA.

The Vanderbilt Line-North Atlantic Steamship Company-Nicaragua Mail

Line-The Tehuantepec Route.
There exist considerable doubts and anxieties at the the California mails, as the contracts under which hey cet excitement is raping among the Commodores, of whom dore Vanderbilt, the original commodore, and Commodore besides a crowd of subordinates who have not yet creeping up to it.

for a long time, until the California and Nicaragua routes have become a mass of complication and mysteries whereof

The new government contract with the Nicararagua or "Johnson" mail line, via the Isthmus of Nicaragua, commences on the 1st of October, and the start the steamer Keystone State for San Juan del Nortes on the 6th of October, in compliance with the provisions steamer Hermann to San Francisco. It will be remem-bered that some doubts trumors have been thrown contract. These rumors are answered so far by the ad-

We have now four steamship times to California, run and announced to run: two by the Isthmus of Panama one by the lethmus of Nicaragua, and another by the

THE VANDERBILT LINE.

This line is comprised of the steamships Northern Light and North Star, and conveys passengers by the Panana

NORTH ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY. The ships of this line—the Atlantic, Balticans Adviatic—lately purchased by the Panama Ratiroad and Pacific Mail Companies, are undergoing extensive alterations to fit them for the California trade. The decks are extended forward and flush with the rails, so as to give more room for deck and second cabin pas-

taken out, and standee berths put up instead, for the ac-commodation of that class of passengers.

These steamers will take the place of the presen United States mail ships after the 1st of October.

The Baltic will be the pioneer ship. She will leave the 5th of October. Captain A. G. Gray, formerly of the Star

The pext steamer will be the Atlantic, Captain McGowan

It has not been definitely decided when, if at all, the Adriatic will be sent round. She will be commanded by Captain Pearson, for many years of the Pacific Mail line. The office of the company at present is at 88 Wall street, but in the course of a few weeks will be removed to the

United States Mail line. The ships will leave for the present from the foot of Canal street; after the 1st of October they will leave from

the Warren street wharf. Under which such rapid progress was making towards cpening the route, has stopped, at least for the present, or till their centract is ratified by Nicaragua. It was confidently expected that the last California steamer would bring the ratified contract. A recent letter from General Cass stated that the instructions to Mr. Dimitry, the newly

appointed Minister to Nicaragua, who leaves to-day for his port, contained special instructions in reference to the

With regard to this new line there have been, as before tated, several rumors and doubts in circulation. In this said, on the one hand, that the contract was not worth anything—that it was only got to be used as a sort of enthe United States and Pacific Mail companies, and de-clined upon any terms, showed the value placed upon it. clined upon any terms, showed the value placed upon it.

It was stated further that neither of the parties
named would accept the contract if offered them for
nothing; that these parties, two of them (Vanderbilt
and Pacific Mail), put in bids, and would have carried the mails right along without any interruption for a little more than that paid the "great mail contractor," but that the "lowest bidder" was accepted, and Daniel H. John-

man to whom the contract was awarded. It was said that up to within a few days no ships had been bought or chartered for carrying the mails on either side, notwithstanding it had several times been an-nounced that the Hermann had been bought for the or some other ship, for this side, so that no relia-ble arrangement had been made for carrying the mails after the two next trips-5th and 20th inst. Capt. Wright, the owner of the Hermann, we are told, stated on Friday last that the H. had not been bought, and probably would not be—certainly not that day, if at all. To get across the Isthmus, we were also told, would be more difficult than to get ships to perform the ocean service, as no pro-

son, the "broker" of Joseph L. White & Co.

The latest news from there-August 15-stated that the little river steamer Laura Frances left Greytown for Granada and other ports up in the interior, with passen-gers and freight, on the morning of the 3d; that when last heard from she was lying on the Machuca Rapids, unable to get up farther.

false by the friends of the Nicaragua line. On the contrary, they assert that they have completed every arrangement to carry out the contract in its integrity; but that they were compelled to make every move secretly, because they found themselves headed off in all quarters by the enemies of the line. It was alleged that they could not carry passengers across the Isthmus under the Cass-Yrisarri treaty; but in answer they point to the 14th section of that instrument, which guarantees protection to the property and citizens of the United States crossing the Isthmus by any route sanctioned by the government of Nicaragua. By reference to the advertisement of the nonneed to sail in due course on the 5th of October, from the foot of Canal street, with the mails, passengers and this line; but it is said that there is another well known Commodore who is the power behind the throne.

With regard to the Tehuantepec route, it is sun incomplete, and likely to remain so for a while at least, in consequence of want of funds. Sonator Benjamin, however, who, together with ex-President Comonfort, of Mexico, is interested in the project, is now in Europe endoavoring to raise a lean of a million and a half, which he expects to effect with George Peabody and the Barings. The reports that Senator Douglas is interested in the line are not correct. He is rather opposed to it, on account of personal variances with the parties in interest, Mr. Slidell and others.

California existing with the above lines now run-ning will expire on the 80th of this month, and unless the Nicaragua line is ready to fulfill its contract and start a steamer on the 5th of October there will be no means of conveyance for the California mails except by the overland route, unless the government enters into a a new contract with some one else, as we conceive it ought to do. In the event, however, of no we conceive it ought to do. In the event, however, or he new contract being made, and of the failure of the "John-son lines" to run a steamer, parties having correspondence with California may be compelled, in order to secure its safety, to have recourse to the express companies.

New York Hoerital.—The following is the weekly report of the above institution to Sept. 2, 1850:—Remaining on August 26, 285; admitted to Sept. 2, 67; discharged, cured or relieved, 68; died, 9; remaining at date, 258; males, 211; females, 47.